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AMERICAN HORSES INVADE ENGLISH RACING TRACKS

But They Suffer From the Handicapper Who Imposes Big Weights.

Anti-racing Legislation in the States Responsible for the Invasion — Some Good Horses Will Run in English Turf Events.

(Special from United Press.)
 London, March 22.—American horses will take a prominent place on the English turf this season. "Flat" racing begins to-day at Lincoln and lasts eight months. Owing to the anti-race track legislation in the United States, the biggest American stables are here in greater force than ever before, although England's horsemen are growing accustomed to the American cracks dragging down the prizes in England.

The English sportsmen have a wholesome dread of the American cracks. This is shown by the fact that the English handicappers have allotted the "invaders" to weights in all the big spring handicaps. Even the English were surprised when the figures were announced while the Americans protested against the manifest unfairness of the handicappers. The only defense of the latter is that they could get no comparison between English and American form and therefore put the visitors on the "strangers' marks" which is about the worst they could do. But there is no appeal from this verdict of the handicappers and the Americans can only grin and bear it if they wish their horses to compete. The only alternative is to withdraw their horses when the weights announced are prohibitive. This will undoubtedly be done in many events. As a consequence of the discrimination by the handicappers, only one American is entered in the Belmont Stakes, the shire handicap, to be run to-morrow. This is Whitney's Delirium which has to carry 115 pounds. It has not yet been decided whether or not Delirium will start.

In the Newbury spring cup, worth \$7,500, run April 1st, Ballot and Priscillian have entered. As the course is favorable for weight carriers, all may take a chance. The Epsom course will not stop a good horse with weight and it is probable that Ballot will be sent after the city and suburban handicap worth \$10,000 in April. Ballot will have to carry 131 pounds, three more than E. J. Todd's. In the Epsom Handicap, Priscillian must carry 125 pounds and Belmont has also entered Norman III with 137 up. Keene has four horses which he expects to enter in the great Jubilee handicap of \$15,000—Ballot and Iolin (top weights), Helmet II (100 pounds) and Wedding Bells (97 pounds) while Belmont will carry 125 pounds (122), Fair Play II (120), and Norman III (115 pounds).

The greatest interest however, is in the racing of Sir Martin, the American horse which was bred by John E. Madden and sold to Wynn, and A. Fairlie's Bayardo. Bayardo was run seven races a year as a two year old and made many horsemen believe he only had a fair lot of quality. Anyhow there is a good chance for an American win in the Derby, the "Blue Ribbon" of the English turf this year. Besides the horses named there are a large number of less noted animals from the United States who will run on English tracks this season. The English jockeys will also have to look out for their laurels this year. In addition to "Dandy" Fisher and H. Martin, America will have several new recruits.

NEW YORK-SEATTLE ENDURANCE RUN.

(Special from United Press.)
 New York, March 20.—With George Miller, the mechanic who handled the car in its long victorious run from New York to Paris at the wheel, the Thomas Pathfinder car for the coming New York-Seattle endurance race shot from the city and will set out to-day bearing a message from Mayor McClellan to the Mayor of Seattle. A large crowd of auto enthusiasts assembled to give the Pathfinder a send-off and they accompanied the car through the city, waving flags and making all the noise possible.

C. B. McCall, who drove the car on the first stroke of noon after handing Miller the sealed packet containing his best wishes for the success of the travelers.

San Francisco, March 20.—The romance of Thomas H. Graydon, former Harvard football player and Helen Beryl Whitney Graydon who eloped from Miss Ely's boarding school and married the girl here in 1907, has culminated in the divorce court here. Mrs. Graydon, heiress to the millions of Parker Whitney, has entered suit for divorce on the grounds of failure to provide.

Miss Whitney eloped from school with the conviction of Madeine Walcott, daughter of John Walcott, millionaire manufacturer of Natick, Mass. The young couple were eventually forgiven and Graydon became the head of large shoe house.

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Fear That Crew of America May Perish in San Gabriel Mountains.

(Special from United Press.)
 Pasadena, Cal., March 22.—It is feared that the occupants of the balloon America will perish of exposure before help that was sent from this city today can reach them. They are believed to have come to earth in the San Gabriel Range where a blizzard is reported to have been raging since Saturday. The men are lightly clad and are not provided for an extensive flight so that it is naturally feared they are facing death from hunger and exposure.

There are six in the party. Captain A. E. Mueller, L. C. Gilliam, a mining engineer of Walla Walla, Wash.; Richard Halstead of Los Angeles; Sidney Gray, John Parker and A. C. Dodschutz of this city. When they went up Sunday they carried but 26 sacks of sea ballast and aerostats here warned Captain Mueller he had too much human ballast.

Searching parties are now en route to the range and every effort was made to locate the men.

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STRATFORD
 Wedding Rumors—Basket Ball—A Live Man—Mr. Scott—The Shelton Bungalow—Sign of Spring—A Little Luncheon.

A witty and observing lady who lives up Paradise Green way, made the remark the other day that "March linen showers bring forth April wedding figures." This is a new and modern version of an old saying.

Rumors continue to circulate about that Cupid is sending flights of arrows up King Street. Sometimes he tips the point of them with a huge bouquet of violets. Few people will be surprised when the engagement is announced.

Capt. Bond discovered a small fire a few days ago in one of the sleeping rooms of his house and was able to extinguish the flames without sending to the center of the town. Capt. Bond's residence is a good way from the fire house.

A certain row of tenement houses in town has acquired the name of the "Come and Go Row," owing to the frequent changes made by the occupants—some moving out every few weeks and others moving in. There is a suspicion the houses are haunted.

The boys' basket ball team of the High School, took a run over to Bridgeport on Friday night, unluckily day-to-day to play a game with the team of Brown's Business College. The play progressed favorably for the Stratford boys who seemed likely to win, when a "foul" was charged and the Stratfords agreed to play another round, when the game went to the Browns. The girls' team of the High School expects soon to go to Ansonia to play with the high school team of that city.

A tip for fat women—the tip of the scales.
 On the eve of the 17th Mr. William A. Newbury gave a little luncheon party in honor of the Saint of the day, at his home on Judson Place. There was a musical programme with luncheon favors done up in green. A few of the guests were Mr. C. Edwin Dufour, wife and daughter, Miss Louise; Miss Hattie Latham, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Smith, and William H. Smith of Kent. It was a very enjoyable time for all who participated.

It is remarked that there was but one marriage in town during February. There might have been more only this is the shortest month in the year.
 Next Wednesday Mrs. William Beck, Warwick avenue, will entertain the sewing society of the Rebekah lodge of even stars.

Mrs. Robert T. Wheeler is visiting her brother in Yonkers.
 There were ten deaths in town during the past month. The oldest person was 81 years, and there were three over 70 years of age.

A few of the recent visitors in town included Louis Barton of Cromwell, Sherwood Preston of New Haven, Mrs. J. C. B. Reynolds of Brooklyn, Mrs. Jane Steel of Holyoke, Mrs. Phoebe Hall and Mrs. Charles Ellison.

All the different grades of the local schools are turning out remarkable honor rolls. The honors consist in not being absent or tardy for weeks together.
 Charles Bradley of Fairfield, was in town on Saturday renewing old acquaintances. One of his former schoolmates whom he was glad to meet was George K. Wilson.

Frank E. Conine had the pleasure of meeting ex-Recipient Roosevelt at the Masonic reception given to him in Stratford on the 17th. Being in town on business Mr. Conine was invited by the Matinecock lodge to be one of its guests and participate in the reception.

F. E. Conine in addressing a committee of the Legislature upon the ravages of the San Juan scale in these parts, and the necessity which exists that something be done to exterminate it if our apple and other trees are to be saved, did a commendable public service. But the difficulty is to find an effectual remedy. The scale has long been known in California, and the Department of Agriculture at Washington has devoted much time and spent great sums of money in trying to check its ravages. At one time it sent a man to Australia to import a species of lady bugs which the department entomologist thought would eat the scale. But the expectations of the official bug man did not materialize. This State should make itself familiar with the work done by the U. S. government, and not go over the same old ground.

Meanwhile a tree that is attacked by the scale should be scraped and all dead limbs should be removed and burned. Old trees ought to be cut down and destroyed. There are many such in town, and they are neither picturesque nor useful. Every owner of a tree should do the best he can to import the scale. Send to Washington for all the literature there is on the subject.
 Lester E. Scott who played the violin in a masterly manner at a recent meeting of the Men's club held at the house of Deacon Baldwin, has accepted an offer in Jersey City at a salary of \$1,300 a year.

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